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One of the swinging bridges at the Sequoia Park Zoo's Redwood Sky Walk. December, 2024. Read more on page 28.
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'It's Pretty Fascist'

Editor:

I am not sure whether Bill Hassler was writing tongue-in-cheek, or whether he just hadn't thought his argument through (Mailbox, Dec. 19). I believe, though he doesn't explicitly state it, he was referring to the recent election results when he said, "Most people are just too dumb to know what's in their best interest, let alone make important decisions." That's exactly what the incoming administration is saying about the American population.

Project 2025 also maintains that a certain group of elite people are smarter than the rest of us and should make decisions for us. It's pretty fascist, and so is Mr. Hassler's statement.

Mr. Hassler should not be decrying the American people; he should be railing against an education system that does not teach critical thinking and doesn't give people the tools to think through the outcomes of their decisions.

*Lauri Rose,
Dinsmore*

'Get a Life'

Editor:

I had composed this letter for last week's NCJ but decided it was pointless to send it as everyone would be settled down by now. I was wrong (Mailbox, Dec. 19).

Guys, guys. It's over! Your guy lost. Get a life. I know we're all going to hell in a handbasket and that we who voted for Trump are morons. But bear in mind we were over 50 percent. So, sit back and enjoy the ride. And when we all sink into the Eternal Abyss, you can say, "I told you so."

Richard Clive Brown, Eureka

7.0 at the Vance Hotel

You felt it more than heard it
that first bone-deep jolt
before alarms began to sound
and Mother Nature's band
really began to play.

But the grand old dame
the Hotel Vance
was quick to catch the tune.

Her giant sashes set to tapping
her long brass chandeliers began to sway.

And just when I believed that redwood gal
might get up to dance
the geologic music trailed away.

An aftershock of human laughter
rippled across the room
followed closely by another wave of warning
as one
our minds were turned to water
our eyes turned towards the bay.

We steadied ourselves and chattered
until the cops came by in cruisers
blasting their loudspeakers
to clear us all away.

"Don't need to tell me twice" I thought
"this party won't be sending invitations".
So I nodded to the old gal, grateful for the shelter
more than happy to leave her as I found her.

Though as she stood there in the rearview
I was quick to reassure her
as I promptly drove away
she may yet get that dance -
then thanked the gods or anyone out there
that it wouldn't be today.

— arhbradley

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Group Brings Class Action Suit Against Huffman

Lawsuit targeting Israel military funding vote may be DOA, experts say

By Thadeus Greenson
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A group of Humboldt County residents have joined a class-action federal lawsuit filed against North Coast Congressman Jared Huffman and Fourth District Rep. Mike Thompson alleging the two men voted to use the residents' tax dollars to fund a genocide of Palestinian people in the ongoing Hamas-Israel war, violating international and U.S. laws.

The suit, filed Dec. 19 in San Francisco on behalf of a group of more than 500 tax payers throughout 10 counties dubbed "Taxpayers Against Genocide," alleges Huffman and Thompson's April 20 votes to approve \$26.4 billion in military aid to Israel caused the class members the "emotional, psychic harm of being forced into being complicit in genocide," according to Dean Royer, the lead plaintiffs' attorney in the case.

"I trusted Congressman Huffman to call for a ceasefire and to demand that the U.S. follow our own laws in addition to International Law," said Humboldt County resident Robie Tenorio, one of the class members, in a lawsuit. "But despite overwhelming documented and corroborated evidence, Congressman Huffman voted in April 2024 to send Israel more offensive weapons, all paid for by U.S. taxpayers."

A vocal and dedicated group in Humboldt County has worked to bring awareness to the humanitarian crisis that's been unfolding in Gaza for more than a year, holding vigils, demonstrations and protests, alleging that the Israeli war effort amounts to an attempted genocide.

But whether or not that's the case, experts in the law and Congress consulted by the Journal said the lawsuit seems to ignore important provisions of federal law, adding they expect it will soon be

dismissed by the court. "I believe the suit is totally DOA because of the Speech and Debate Clause," said David Levine, a professor at University of California Hastings College of Law, referring to the clause in the U.S. Constitution intended to shield members of Congress from liability for official acts. "I haven't seen any explanation of how the attorneys think they even have a prayer of justifying this suit."

Levine also pointed to U.S. Supreme Court case law determining that being someone's status as a taxpayer alone does not give them standing to challenge government spending decisions, and that plaintiffs must show they've suffered personal injury to have the legal standing necessary to bring a federal lawsuit.

Stephanie Burkhalter, a professor of politics at Cal Poly Humboldt who specializes in Congress, said generally this standing issue prevents these types of taxpayer lawsuits from moving forward. For example, Levine said, taxpayer lawsuits brought challenging the Vietnam War were dismissed because courts find the plaintiffs couldn't show they'd personally been harmed.

"Basically," Levine wrote in an email to the Journal, "the remedy is, if you don't like what your representatives are doing, vote them out of office the next time they stand for re-election."


And even if the lawsuit were allowed to proceed, the Speech and Debate Clause has been interpreted to widely shield members of Congress from criminal or civil liability for official acts.

The text of the clause itself lays out that members of Congress shall be paid for their services and — except in cases of


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“treason, felony and breach of the peace” — be “privileged from arrest during their attendance” of, or travels to and from, sessions of Congress. The clause ends “and for any speech or debate in either house, they shall not be questioned in any other place.”

The U.S. Supreme Court has determined the clause must be construed “broadly.”

“It is well established that the clause serves to secure the independence of the federal legislature by providing members of Congress and their aides with immunity from criminal prosecutions or civil suits that stem from acts taken within the legislative sphere,” explains the website Constitution Annotated, which is dedicated to analysis and interpretation of the U.S. Constitution. “As succinctly described by the court, the clause’s immunity from liability applies ‘even though their conduct, if performed in other than legislative contexts, would in itself be unconstitutional or otherwise contrary to criminal or civil statutes. This general immunity prin-

ciple forms the core of the protections afforded by the clause.”

Experts say that, together, the Speech and Debate Clause and limitations on taxpayer standing pose high hurdles for the suit to overcome.

Royer, for his part, said at a press conference announcing the suit’s filing that he plans to argue that what’s happening in Gaza meets the definition of genocide and violates international human rights laws against torture, and countries being complicit in genocides being committed on foreign soil. Further, he said, Thompson and Huffman’s votes violate the Leahy Law, two statutory provisions that prohibit the U.S. government from using funds to assist foreign security forces when there is credible information implicating them in gross human rights violations.

“Tax dollars are being taken from our class members, our clients, and being funneled to the Israeli military and then being used to carry out the atrocities in Gaza,” he said.

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2023, when Hamas fighters invaded Israel and attacked civilian communities, killing almost 1,200 people, including more than 800 civilians, while taking an estimated 250 hostages back into Gaza. In response, Israel launched a sustained an offensive in Gaza that has killed more than 45,000 people, most of them women and children, according to news accounts and international organizations. Additionally, Israel has intensified a pre-existing blockade on supplies entering Gaza, decimating Gaza's healthcare system and bringing widespread risk of famine.

A United Nations Commission to the Israel-Palestine conflict found "clear evidence" that war crimes have been committed in Gaza, while the International Criminal Court issued arrest warrants in May for Hamas and Israeli leaders for alleged war crimes and crimes against humanity.

Huffman has not commented on the lawsuit publicly, but Thompson's office issued a statement.

"Congressman Thompson understands

that it has been the civilian population that has paid the cost of Hamas' terrorist attack on Israel and he remains gravely concerned about the scale of civilian loss in this war," he said. "That's why has advocated and continues to advocate for the Biden Administration to work with the State Department and our allies to help secure a negotiated, bilateral ceasefire, the immediate release of all hostages and the establishment of a two-state solution to ensure peace and self-determination for the Palestinian and Israeli people. Achieving peace and securing the safety of civilians won't be accomplished by filing a lawsuit." ●

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Former HumCo Fair Bookkeeper Pleads Guilty in Embezzlement Case

The former bookkeeper accused of embezzling more than \$400,000 from the Humboldt County Fair Association has pleaded guilty to five federal counts of wire fraud.

Tafarella, 49, faces a maximum sentence of 20 years in federal prison and a fine of up to \$250,000 or both for each count when she's sentenced at a hearing scheduled for April 30 at the federal courthouse in San Francisco.

After multiple delays in holding a change of plea hearing, Tafarella formally applied to enter pleas of guilty in the case Dec. 18, with the application signed by federal Judge Charles R. Breyer the same day.

Tafarella remains free after posting \$15,000 bond in the case, which stems from an alleged "ghost payroll" scheme used to defraud the association and a Eureka nonprofit. She was arrested Nov. 15, 2022, by Ferndale police at a local casino after allegations surfaced that she'd embezzled from the two entities over the course of almost two years, channeling funds to her own bank accounts through fraudulent payroll entries to fictitious employees.

The U.S. Attorney's Office, which is prosecuting the case, is also seeking the forfeiture of all property "derived from the proceeds" of the fraud, or a forfeiture judgement of \$456,911.

The judgment would allow prosecutors

to seize "substitute property" in the event that the embezzled funds — or what was purchased with them — cannot be located, have been transferred to a third party or have "substantially diminished in value."

Fair officials, who spent nearly two years working to untangle the fiscal mess left in the wake of Tafarella's alleged theft, have voiced hope that a successful prosecution may result in the association recouping some of the embezzled funds. But that seems increasingly unlikely.

A court filing earlier this year described Tafarella as "indigent, or impoverished and unable to meet basic needs," and more recent filings said U.S. Pretrial Services was working to place Tafarella in a residential living program for "unhoused defendants

in pretrial proceedings," later noting it had secured her housing at a Salvation Army facility in Santa Barbara.

Tafarella first came under suspicion when a Eureka nonprofit dance studio alerted the Eureka Police Department that it had found irregularities in its financial records. EPD then notified the fair association, where Tafarella also worked, and it began a review of its records, which quickly found discrepancies.

Tafarella's indictment alleges she defrauded the association of approximately \$430,000 over the course of 21 months after embezzling approximately \$23,400 from the Eureka nonprofit.

— *Thadeus Greenson*

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HumCo Dairies Not Majorly Impacted by Bird Flu Emergency

Gov. Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency on Wednesday in response to Avian Influenza, also known as "Bird Flu," being detected in dairy cows in Southern California. This comes after the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) ordered a new national milk testing regimen to better monitor the outbreak at the beginning of the month.

"This is a step in the right direction ... It can help assist with those herds that that were affected," says Zach Cahill, a North Coast representative for the Western United Dairies trade association, who runs a certified organic dairy in Ferndale, of the emergency declaration. "We haven't had any cases in this region, and we're still being very thoughtful with how we navigate this, but it is good to see that there is support for that industry on the state level."

Bird Flu has been detected across 16 states, with 61 total reported confirmed cases of infection in humans across seven states, including 34 in California. All reported cases in the U.S. have been mild, though one in Canada was classified as "severe."

The Humboldt County Department of Public Health advises that risk to the general public "remains low," so there's

no need to start swearing off milk. (The pasteurized kind, anyway, as raw milk is believed to carry an increased amount of dangerous bacteria and viruses.) Humboldt County's dairy farmers, meanwhile, say they are exercising caution but don't believe they will be heavily impacted by the new testing requirements.

"The biggest influence that this is going to have is just to make sure that the products that we are producing are safe for the consumer, so we don't expect a change in how our industry really functions," Cahill says. "We are increasing the protection of our animals and our employees with different biosecurity measures to prevent an outbreak from happening up here."

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced in April that one in five samples of milk purchased at grocery stores nationwide tested positive for genetic traces of the virus, but that doesn't mean they contained the live virus that could cause an infection. Cahill stresses the safety of pasteurized milk.

"I would just really like to remind consumers that pasteurization kills the virus, and in order to make sure that your milk products are safe, I would highly encourage everybody to make sure that their products are pasteurized, which everything that you're going to buy in the store

is and it's safe," Cahill says. "Bulk tanks are going to be getting tested. And so, if the herd does come up with it, it still is a safe product to consume because of the pasteurization."

While the sale of raw milk is legal in California, the sale of raw milk is banned within Humboldt County. This makes it so that the only milk you will find in stores is safe, pasteurized milk.

Darin Ferreira, owner of Ferreira and Son Dairy, says people are making a bigger deal out of "Bird Flu" than necessary.

Cody Nicolson Stratton, one of the owners of The Foggy Bottom Boys, says the additional testing that the USDA is requiring is "negligible" for local farms, as their milk is already routinely tested.

However, he says The Foggy Bottom Boys has taken measures to protect the farm's herd from contracting Avian Flu.

"We are known for giving tours to members of the public and schools, but we suspended those to prevent outside activity and bringing things into the farm," Stratton says. "We increased the use of foot baths, which are points where you wash your shoes in water and chlorhexidine solution to sanitize them as well as hand washing around the farm. We began developing treatment protocols with our herd veterinarian, so that if Avian Influenza were to develop here, we already had protocols in place of how we would treat our animals and how we would handle that development."

Ferreira says another reason Humboldt County dairy farms are not expected to be as impacted by the Avian Flu outbreak is that most herds within the county are

closed herds, meaning the cattle have little to no interaction with outside livestock. This allows the herds to have decreased exposure to health risks, especially when it comes to infectious viruses like Avian Flu.

However, Ferreira says that his farm is one of the few that is expanding and isn't a closed herd. He says the risk of Avian Flu has made it difficult to trade and sell cattle, as he does not want to risk infecting his herd, saying he's now suspended expansion efforts in order to protect his existing herd.

"There's safety protocols with the USDA and the state of California having implemented protocols," Cahill says. "There's very little transfer of cattle into this area, but quarantining animals that come in is a measure that takes place just to ensure that if cattle happen to be infected, they don't spread it."

Despite the expected minimal impact, Stratton says he thinks the state of emergency declaration is a good step in further preventing the outbreak.

"The governor's declaration of a state of emergency for Avian Influenza will streamline efforts between different agencies, provide additional funding and allow greater flexibility in their response," Stratton says. "This will hopefully support a one-health approach to the matter. I hope that this will better enable Humboldt County's family farmers to weather HPAI (high pathogenicity avian influenza) if it's detected in our dairy herds and build off the knowledge already gained elsewhere in the state."

— *Anne To*

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The Top 10 Stories of 2024

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The Klamath River, with and without JC Boyle Dam, which was removed along with three others in 2024.

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What a year. In our sliver of the North Coast, 2024 brought triumph and tragedy, drama and departures, and a host of stories that will reverberate in our communities, hearts and memories for years to come. In no particular order, here's our list of the most important and impactful stories of the year, and this one goes to 11, with a special bonus entry, because we could all use a little more good news these days.

Occupation and Aftermath at CPH

The eight-day occupation of Cal Poly Humboldt's Siemens Hall in April by demonstrators wanting to raise awareness to the humanitarian crisis unfolding in Gaza, where Palestinian civilians were being killed by Israel's U.S.-supported war effort, drew international press coverage. But it's perhaps most remarkable locally as the rare news event that seemingly left all involved parties — and most bystanders, for that matter — aggrieved. It also laid bare simmering tensions on campus between the university's administration, its faculty, staff and students.

Demonstrators and their supporters felt administrators' decision to call in police to clear what was then a peaceful occupation of the administrative building was unjust and needlessly escalated the situation, sending police and protesters barreling toward what would become a violent confrontation. Administrators, meanwhile, said the demonstration clearly

violated university policy and that protesters entered the building with criminal intent, feeling they were unjustly vilified and blamed for an untenable situation. Police, meanwhile, were caught in the middle, given directives with seemingly little thought to their consequences, creating a dangerous situation without clear, attainable goals.

After a first, tension-filled night that ended when police were told to stand down, having made three arrests, demonstrators held the building for more than a week and turned the center of campus into an occupied zone with barricades set up around Siemens Hall. Tom Jackson Jr.'s administration made the decisions to shutter campus, moving all classes online and threatening anyone who entered with arrest, prompting a vote of no confidence in his leadership and calls for his resignation.

Ultimately, the university brought in hundreds of police officers from throughout Northern California to forcefully clear the campus in the dead of night on April 30, resulting in the arrest of 30 people who were peacefully gathered on the university quad.

The Humboldt County District Attorney's Office has declined to prosecute any of the students, community members and one member of CPH's faculty arrested during the week-long ordeal. But there's no question the event and its aftermath — which the university reports included a \$1.2 million cleanup bill — will resonate on campus and beyond for years to come.

Jackson Out at CPH

One of those reverberations came over the summer, with Jackson announcing he would be resigning the university presidency in July. While Jackson reportedly had been mulling the move well before protesters entered Siemens Hall on April 22, most agree the division caused by the occupation and his handling of it would have made his return untenable.

The resignation — technically a retreat, as Jackson left the presidency and its compensation package of more than \$400,000 annually to take a tenured faculty position paying about \$173,000 per year — brought an end to a uniquely transformative and divisive tenure.

Jackson has been credited with having been instrumental in then-Humboldt State University's push to become the state's third polytechnic university, bringing a state investment of more than \$450 million, a host of infrastructure projects and hopes for doubling the school's enrollment, even amid declines across the California State University system.

But since Jackson moved from South Dakota's Black Hills State University in 2019 to become Cal Poly Humboldt's eighth — and first Black — president, his tenure has been repeatedly roiled by controversy. He's faced sharp criticism for his handling of COVID-19 protocols, reviving a controversial off-campus student housing project, the university's outbidding a senior living community to purchase a 9.5-acre property near campus and the decision to force students living in their cars off campus with little warning just before finals, to name a few. He also was widely rebuked

for comments in a fall welcome address that many saw as an attempt to silence survivors of sexual assault and harassment.

One of the more persistent criticisms of Jackson late in his tenure though, was his perceived invisibility, with students and staff alike saying he rarely attended events and meetings and was seldom sighted on campus. It's an open question whether his new faculty position will change that, as the university reports his focus will be supporting its "work in the global engagement space" and helping to "build relationships that can result in meaningful student experiences abroad." Asked if that would include any teaching, a university spokesperson told the Journal, "those details haven't been determined."

Farewell to Arcata Dining Icons

Restaurant turnover isn't new in Humboldt, and — post-COVID — the survival of our favorite spots can seem miraculous. But this year we said goodbye to a handful of dining and drinking spots that anchored the plaza and Northtown Arcata. Mazzotti's, the Eureka branch of which shuttered in 2019, closed its Arcata Plaza location in January, after a costly renovation and amid employees' complaints about chronic check bouncing and, starting in December, not getting a paycheck at all from proprietor Joe Mazzotti. His bombastic public responses added to a bitter end. Across the green, Alibi Bar and Grill shut down both sides of its operation — old and new — for good in May. Locals grieved the loss



Tom Jackson Jr.
File

Sentencing Reform

In criminal justice circles, 2024 may be remembered as the year sentencing reform came to Humboldt County, though it wasn't without missteps.

Eight days into the new year, Humboldt County Superior Court Judge John Feeney resentenced Steven Dinsmore to time served, ordering that he be released from custody that day. Feeney himself had sentenced Dinsmore to serve more than 29 years in state prison back in 2007 after a conviction for assaulting a sheriff's deputy with a firearm, but used a new state law that had been created with Dinsmore's case in mind to revisit the sentence and make Dinsmore a free man.


Feeney had tried to free Dinsmore in 2022 after dismissing a firearms enhancement that the Legislature had decided to make discretionary, but an appellate court overturned that decision, leading to Dinsmore being returned to jail after 15 months as a free man, during which he'd gotten engaged, found a job with CalTrans and been released from parole. That perceived injustice led appellate attorney Richard Baucher to help author what would become Assembly Bill 600, which gave California judges the power to recall and resentence inmates at their own discretion, which Feeney did for Dinsmore just days after the law went into effect.

Superior Court Judge Lawrence Killoran would use that same law in August to free Aaron Bjorkstrand, who'd been incarcerated for 26 years for robbing a gas station at gunpoint and wounding the clerk at the age of 15. Bjorkstrand's release was

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Aaron Bjorkstrand, 42, shortly after he was released after serving 26 years in state prison. *File*

rocky, to say the least, with the California Department of Corrections ordering that he be brought back into custody within 24 hours of his release — despite his having done, by all accounts, nothing wrong. After some quick work, Bjorkstrand's public defender Adrian Kamada had him free again.

Meanwhile, the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office remains one of nine counties participating in the state-funded prosecutor-led resentencing project, though it's the only one that has not yet put an inmate forward for resentencing. Patrick Harvey, who has served 25 years of a 25-to-life sentence that was reportedly Humboldt County's first under California's three-strikes law, hoped to become the first. When the Journal reported on Harvey in April, he said the DA was reviewing his case, saying he was hopeful because his record didn't include violent crime and, now 52, he'd dedicated himself to



Steven Dinsmore, the first inmate in California resentenced and released under Assembly Bill 600. *File*



President-elect Donald Trump got a higher percent of the Humboldt County vote in 2024 than he did in 2020 or 2016. *File*

self-improvement. Eight months later, it's unclear if the DA's Office intends to move forward with asking the court to resentence Harvey, as it does not comment on cases under review.

He remains in Pelican Bay State Prison, hopeful to join the likes of Dinsmore and Bjorkstrand as free men. For their parts, both Bjorkstrand and Dinsmore say they've struggled to regain their footing post incarceration, though both reported positive steps, with Dinsmore again working for CalTrans and Bjorkstrand having enrolled at College of the Redwoods for the spring semester.

Klamath Dams Come Down

When 2024 began, three of the four hydroelectric dams that choked the lower Klamath River still stood. As the year comes to a close, none remain and the largest dam removal effort in United States history is complete, though an equally massive restoration effort will continue for years.

But good news on the river didn't stop with the dams' removal, as reports quickly flooded in of salmon returning to hundreds of miles of newly accessible spawning grounds in the Klamath River Basin that had been blocked for a century.

When we think of things that happened in 2024 that will resonate for generations to come, the undamming of the Klamath River sits atop the list. Not only will generations benefit from a restored ecosystem over the next century — just as those passed grappled with one slowly being

strangled — but they will carry a tangible example of what's possible.

They will see first-hand that it's possible to undo past wrongs and restore what was broken, that social justice is attainable if fought for relentlessly. Perhaps most powerfully, they will see that local activism — spearheaded in this case by generations of Native community members over decades — can change the course of history, bending even the rich and powerful to its will. It's a lesson that brings hope moving forward, a hope that's visible in every salmon swimming upriver to spawn.

Trump Re-elected

Though national stories typically don't rate in the Journal's annual top 10 lists, we'd be remiss not to include the re-election of Donald J. Trump here. First off, as was the case throughout much of the country, Trump's popularity has grown over the last eight years in dark blue Humboldt County, where he went from drawing 31 percent of the vote in 2016 to 32 percent in 2020 and 34 percent in 2024.

While the prospect of another four years of Trump in office for Humboldt comes with the same promise of mass deportations, tariffs and political division that will be present across the nation (not to mention a lineup of maverick cabinet nominees that signal upheaval in federal departments), there is the potential for some outsized impacts locally. On the campaign trail, both Trump and Vice President-elect J.D. Vance talked about developing public lands to meet housing demands, and Humboldt is both rich in

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public lands — including a lot held by federal entities — and short on housing.

But the biggest impact might be to plans to develop a large-scale offshore wind farm about 20 miles off the Humboldt coast, which local officials say will both help address the climate crisis and fuel the local economy. Long a critic of wind energy generally, Trump pledged during the campaign to sign an executive order to “end” offshore wind energy if re-elected.

Measure F and Jacobs

For land-use nerds, political junkies and parking lot proponents alike, perhaps no local story was more captivating in 2024 than Robin P. Arkley II's scorched earth attempts to derail Eureka's affordable housing initiatives.

Deeply troubled by the city's plans to convert municipally owned parking lots in Old Town and downtown into multi-family affordable housing developments, Arkley launched a multi-pronged approach to scuttle them. And in 2024, anyway, he failed resoundingly.

Having already funded efforts to file a series of lawsuits seeking to invalidate the city's plans (all of which have thus far been unsuccessful), Arkley cast a wider net in 2024. Most notably, his company poured more than \$1.2 million into a Eureka ballot measure — making it the most expensive in history — that sought to block the housing projects, while promising to rezone the former Jacobs Middle School campus for housing development. Confusingly dubbed the “Housing for All” initiative, the campaign was panned by many as disingenuous, from accusations of theft and vandalism of its signs to assertions that it would lead to development of the Jacobs site, which is owned by Eureka City School, which is again in active negotiations to sell it to the California Highway Patrol.

The Jacobs site also captivated local media attention for much of 2024 after the district broke off negotiations with the CHP in December of 2023, agreeing to a strange property exchange with a mystery buyer who offered \$5.3 million in cash and a house on I Street for the sprawling campus.

A steady trickle of revelations came throughout 2024 about the unusual agreement and mystery buyer — from Brown Act violations committed when the district board agreed to enter into the contract, to news that the mystery buyer employed the same attorney and spokesperson as Arkley and the Measure F campaign, to emails indicating district

officials thought Arkley was behind the exchange deal — until the mystery buyer failed to make good on the agreement, sending the district back into negotiations with the CHP.

When the dust settled from the Nov. 5 election, 69 percent of Eureka voters rejected Measure F, meaning the campaign spent more than \$343 for every vote it got. The city's housing plans, meanwhile, continue to move forward.

Birthing in Humboldt

Simply put, 2024 will be regarded, at least for some time, as the year it became a lot harder to be an expectant family in Humboldt County.

First, in August, Mad River Community Hospital announced it would suspend labor and deliver services beginning in October, shuttering its Trillium Suites Birth Center, a beloved local birthing option for scores of mothers who wanted to deliver in a hospital setting but without the clinical feel of St. Joseph Hospital (and free from its restrictive religious policies).

With Redwood Memorial Hospital having shuttered its childbirth services three years before, many bemoaned another

reduction in local options and expressed concern this would mean longer drives to the hospital for many, bringing increased risks of complications and bad outcomes.

Then in September, the California Attorney General's Office filed a lawsuit against Providence St. Joseph Hospital, alleging it had denied emergency abortion services to a mother who desperately needed them in February. Specifically, the suit alleges that Anna Nusslock was 15 weeks pregnant with twins when her water broke, and she rushed to St. Joseph, where a doctor told her the babies wouldn't survive, and she needed immediate abortion care. But doctors at St. Joseph reportedly refused to provide it, telling Nusslock there was nothing they could do so long as the fetuses had a detectable heartbeat. Nusslock was eventually discharged to drive to Mad River, where she reportedly arrived having passed an apple-sized blood clot and deteriorating rapidly before she was rushed into emergency surgery.

Just this month, another local woman — identified in court filings only as Jane Roe — also filed suit against Providence St. Joseph Hospital. Jane Roe alleges that, similar to Nusslock, the hospital denied



Mad River Community Hospital's Trillium Suites Birth Center closed in October.

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Former Humboldt County Superior Court Judge Greg Kreis resigned his judgeship May 27 to resolve an ethics complaint.
File

her necessary abortion services on the three separate occasions in which her water broke pre-term, and she was told her babies would not survive. In one instance, Jane Roe alleges she almost “hemorrhaged to death,” later requiring a double blood transfusion, while another forced her to labor for 19 hours before she spontaneously delivered “her deceased baby in a hospital toilet.”

In the first lawsuit, St. Joseph and the AG’s Office agreed to a stipulation under which the hospital pledged its care staff will follow California’s Emergency Services Law by allowing physicians to terminate a patient’s pregnancy when necessary to protect a mother’s health. Both lawsuits remain pending as Humboldt County enters 2025 with Providence St. Joseph as its only option for people wishing to give birth in a hospital setting.

Judge Kreis Resigns

It’s rare that a superior court judge gets in trouble, and rarer still that one does so in such a spectacular fashion that they admit to 17 ethics violations, while agreeing to public censure, resign their post and never seek judicial office again. Alas, 2024 was not kind to former Humboldt County Superior Court Judge Greg Kreis.

The Commission on Judicial Performance rocked the legal community in February when it announced it had filed a notice of formal proceedings against Kreis, who’d been appointed to the bench in 2017 and was actively seeking re-election. Kreis faced allegations of sexual assault, drug use, disrespect, failing to recuse himself from cases and disclose relationships with litigants in his courtroom, and more.

After Kreis lost his re-election bid, he agreed to resolve the complaint, admitting to 68 specific allegations of misconduct, though not the most salacious ones he

faced. He resigned his judgeship May 27. April Van Dyke, who won election in the March primary, is set to take his seat in January.

Goodbye to Sumo and Noni

It was a sad year at the Sequoia Park Zoo with the passing of two of the community’s most beloved furry denizens: Sumo the red panda and Noni the black bear.

One of the original red pandas to call the Eureka facility home, Sumo arrived to much fanfare in 2010 and went on to have two litters with his mate Stella Luna, helping to increase the endangered species’ population by producing three daughters, one of which — Masala — made national headlines after escaping from the enclosure in 2015 and evading capture for several days.

When Sumo died in August at 15 — a red panda’s typical lifespan in the wild is eight to 10 years — his passing was “not entirely unexpected due to his advanced age,” but “no less heartbreaking for the staff, volunteers, and guests who loved and cared for him,” the zoo said at the time.

In November, the zoo announced the arrival of Saffron, a 1-year-old cub nicknamed “Baby Spice” by his caretakers, marking the beginning of a new generation of the bamboo-eating favorites to call Eureka home, although it might be a few months before the public gets its first look.

Noni’s time at the zoo was much shorter, but the yearling also left her mark, with visitors delighting in watching the yearling and her adopted littermate Tule grow up before their eyes.

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Noni, one of the Sequoia Park Zoo's beloved black bears, died in October.

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Noni, who earned the nickname "Twinkle Toes" for her seemingly gravity-defying ability to balance on the thinnest branches at the top of the redwood trees in the bear habitat, died in October from colon damage caused by connective tissue. She was 2.

Orphaned as cubs, Noni and Tule formed a tight bond while being nurtured back to health at a Tahoe wildlife care facility but both deemed unsuitable for release back to the wild and arrived at the zoo as a pair in 2023.

The zoo described Noni as "a truly beautiful bear with a gorgeous coat, long eyelashes, blonde eyebrows and a perfectly heart-shaped nose that would wiggle as she sniffed out her favorite treats, including peanuts, yogurt and honey."

BONUS: A Community Forest and Land Returned

Two stories that failed to dominate local headlines but will be felt for generations to come played out miles and months apart.

First, in February, the McKinleyville Community Services District made history, purchasing a nearly 600-acre property on the east side of town to preserve as a community forest, becoming the first special district in the state to hold title to a community forest. While decades of fundraising and work remain before the land resembles anything like the recreational haven that is the Arcata Com-

munity Forest, the purchase is a gigantic step for a town that has long dreamed of shifting the swath of land covered with Sitka spruce, redwood and Douglas fir trees from Green Diamond Resource Co.'s holdings to municipal hands.

"I won't personally be able to enjoy its full splendor in my lifetime," MCSD Board President Scott Binder told the Journal, noting the years of tree growth, restoration efforts and trail work needed to bring the town's vision for the property to fruition. "But my children and my grandchildren will, and that's why I'm doing it."

Nine months later, the Wiyot Tribe held a private ceremony and celebration for a similar — yet inherently different — land acquisition: the official return of Digawututklh, a 350-acre section of ancestral land in Samoa with significant historical and cultural importance to the tribe.

The property — known to many as the "Dog Ranch" — had been managed by Friends of the Dunes since the nonprofit purchased it from Robin P. Arkley II with the ultimate goal of its long-term conservation. The tribe has plans for ecological restoration work on the property and for "returning the land to good health" through environmental restoration and the return of cultural practices, said Tribal Administrator Michelle Vassel.

"This place is incredibly special to us," said Tribal Councilmember Hazel James. ●

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Top 10 Dick Moves of 2024

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The size-obsessed are still squawking about who's growing the biggest colorful conifer (spoiler: Mendocino County now has the tallest lighted living Christmas tree, see page 28) but here at the *Journal*, we focus on quality. Humboldt's forest of dick moves continues to flourish, making it all the more challenging to choose the pettiest, most self-serving, etiquette-breaking, vibe-killing acts of the year. Here they are, with blinking lights on.

10. Thadeus Greenson. The Vegas odds on the *Journal*'s own news editor ever making the list were low, given his usually stellar manners. But as our staff gathered to present our beloved book-keeper the retirement card we'd all signed and the presents our publisher picked out on behalf of the company, what was on the conference table? A separate card and nicely wrapped book of French short stories just from Greenson. Thoughtful, personal and dicky. *Comme une bite*. (It's French, Greenson — look it up.) Flexing on a group card and gifts with your own is a dick move with a bow on top.

9. Tyrel Bramwell. Granted, most of this attention-thirsting Ferndale pastor's stunts come off like a warm-up lap for a hate crime. But what gets him in the wiener's circle this year isn't his same old bigoted rhetoric or flagrant disregard for tax law the election commentary on his church's sign shows. It was the creepy, fetus-forward float St. Mark's Lutheran Church rolled through the Ferndale Lighted Tractor Parade. It was absolutely not the vibe. And he made no attempt to make it festive! No little Santa hat on the sonogram? Tiny antlers? Would a snow globe filter have killed you? Next time, read the room and keep dick moves like this under the cassock.

8. Butterfly poachers. Poaching — elk, redwood burl — is always for cazzos (*makes rude Italian gesture), and now North Coast residents can add the illegal catching and selling of rare and struggling species of butterflies to our local variety.

ies. While conservationists are working to revive the Behren's silverspot in the face of pesticides and environmental damage, greedy net-wielders and pupa pluckers are snatching them from their homes and dooming them to pins. Way to go, *Dickus poacherus*.

7. Tip tyrants. When Sushi Spot tested out a service charge in lieu of tipping, it not only raised discussion about the custom, but lured the cheap and the power-obsessed into the comments. We saw the staunch non-tippers coming, but the unmitigated wankage of those customers who enjoy tipping as a means of exerting power over servers and staff was louder than expected. This isn't the Coliseum and you're not Caesar. Also, your whole table is embarrassed; nobody likes to dine with a dick.

6. Lead ammo hunters. There are so many dick moves and yet this group shoves its way into the rankings again. Do you want lead-poisoned condors? Because lead ammunition in carcasses is how we get lead-poisoned condors. We've only got 18 of these rare creatures up here, and you're leaving them toxic treats. Nearly half their deaths in the wild are due to lead poisoning dickery. Knock it off, Elmer Pud.

5. Joe Mazzotti. Sadly, restaurants go under all the time, but seldom do their owners reward the patience of strapped employees who've hung on through lean times and late checks with this level of vitriol. When the second-generation owner of the popular family Italian spot blamed workers for continuing to show up, and then went online to make personal attacks and brag about his lavish lifestyle, it left a bad taste in the mouths of employees and customers — some of whom purchased gift certificates to help out during COVID-19 closure. Like a dropped plate of parmigiana, it was a hot mess. It was also a dick move.

4. Tom Jackson Jr. Choosing escalation and justifying it with revisionist history is a strategy right out of the dick moves playbook. Footage of the April 22



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response to campus protests over the attacks on Gaza show then Cal Poly Humboldt President Jackson and then Chief of Staff Mark Johnson (hey, that's his name) cried some serious wolf regarding safety and vandalism when they brought cops in riot gear from around the county. The call dicked pretty much everyone over — cops, students, community members, university staff — in terms of safety, expense and reputation.

3. Tom Jackson Jr. ... again. Jackson was no stranger to this club, but this year he took it graduate level. Amid the fallout from his protest response, he resigned his post as president and retreated to a high-paying faculty post, per his contract. That was mere weeks after a cadre of supporters lent their names to an ad in this paper backing up his narrative and saying he was "doing a great job!" A heads up about the retreat would have been nice; maybe they could have pooled their money for something more useful, like half a CPH parking pass. (Among the signees was Dick Moves alum Rex Bohn, who has made the unprecedented move into the realm of the dicked over. Poignant, really.) Congratulations to Jackson for a double entry and earning a PhDick.

2. Robin P. Arkley II. In the run-up to Election Day, the Arkley-funded Measure F had more D in it than expected. If we had a dollar for every dicktastic moment in the campaign Arkley pumped a record-breaking \$1.2 million into, we'd have \$1.2 million to spend on actually making life better for people in Eureka. Aside from the misleading aspects of the

measure that landed the anti-housing "Housing for All" initiative its Dick Move award last year, there were the endless flippers, the manufactured claims of cheating and vandalism, and the use of out-of-context quotes from locals who didn't even support the measure — it was like a tumescent tornado tearing through town.

1. St. Joseph Hospital. Once again, the dicks come marching in at St. Joe's. This top ranking, like providing necessary care for women in need, is a no-brainer. But here we are with two separate lawsuits in which women allege the Catholic hospital refused to abort their nonviable pregnancies as the women were losing blood and in grave physical danger, sending them to another hospital with a bucket and towels in one case and enduring stillbirth in a hospital bathroom after 19 hours of labor in another. That's the legal end of things. Putting these women through such physical ordeals at the worst moment of their lives, with grief and fear, is pointlessly cruel and a dick move to make even the Devil jealous.

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Spicy Miso Ramen with a view at Rooftop.

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What's Good: Warming up and Heading Home

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Rooftop's Ramen Warm-up

All summer, which includes October here, tables at Rooftop (148 E St., Eureka) were packed with those starved for vitamin D and hungry for sushi. But during the damp cold of winter, the indoor tables and counter (at last, comfy bar chairs) offer a view out of the chill and hot, hot ramen.

The Spicy Miso Ramen (\$18) is a cold weather winner. A miso broth with surprising body, considering its vegetarian base, draws its orange-red hue and heat from doses of Korean gochujang and la-yu sesame chili oil. The accompanying *ajitsuke tamago* has a moist, jammy but still solid yolk and a salty-sweet exterior, to which the firm, charred spirals of roasted chashu pork offer a smoky balance. For its heat and flavor, the soup is fairly light and a match for the glossy, medium-weight fresh noodles. (Listen, Team Tonkotsu, I also love a thick, fatty broth but we can't always nap right after a meal.) Lean into the steam for the simultaneous belly warming and spa treatment.

Jerk Kitchen Closes

On Dec. 18, Jason Mitchell, owner of Eureka's Jerk Kitchen (427 W Harris St.), announced via Instagram that the Jamaican restaurant would serve its final meals of jerk chicken, stewed oxtails and fresh cornbread on Friday, Dec. 20. He begins the post by "saying thank you for allowing me to take one of my greatest loves, which is cooking, and be able to share it with the community of Humboldt; I have enjoyed serving each and every one of you." He invites folks to visit for a last taste of Jamaican culture and food, signing off, "Remain blessed, One Love."

Over the phone, Mitchell, who took over the spot from original owners and fellow Jamaican immigrants Dell Bryan and Joanna Kerr, says the restaurant just wasn't doing enough business. "For me to keep hearing all the time, 'You have the best food' or 'the best food in Humboldt County,'" while still not seeing that reflected in traffic just doesn't make the investment worth it.

While Jerk Kitchen had been on the market with a price tag of \$105,000, Mitchell says he has removed the listing.



Chef and owner Jason Mitchell with a tray of Jerk Kitchen's signature jerk chicken. *File*

He says a couple of parties have shown interest, but the potential sale isn't enough to keep him waiting in town. Instead, he says, he and his family will be returning to Jamaica, where his mother still lives, to "enjoy whatever I have worked for." His daughter Empress, he says, is excited for the move.

While he's grateful for his time in Humboldt, he's ready to leave the country. "We have not come to that place in society where we understand that we

are all connected in this country and we have to work together," he says. "Not in America." ●

Share your tips about What's Good with Jennifer Fumiko Cahill (she/her), arts and features editor at the Journal. Reach her at 442-1400, extension 320, or jennifer@northcoastjournal.com. Follow her on Instagram @JFumikoCahill and on Bluesky @jfumikocahill.bsky.social.

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VENUE	THURS 12/26	FRI 12/27	SAT 12/28	SUN 12/29	M-T-W 12/30-1/1
ARCATA THEATRE LOUNGE 1036 G St., Arcata (707) 822-1220				<i>The Boy & The Heron</i> (2023) (film) 5-8 p.m. \$8, \$12 admission and poster	[T] New Year's Eve: Year of the Bass 8:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. \$30-\$15, [W] SciFi Night: 2001: A Space Odyssey (1968) (film) 6-9:30 p.m. \$6, \$10 admission and poster
ARCATA VETERANS HALL 1425 J St., Eureka (707) 822-1552	Open Mic Comedy 7 p.m. Free				
THE BASEMENT 780 Seventh St., Arcata (707) 845-2309	Claire Bent Jazz Quintet (jazz) 8 p.m. Free	BIG8 (rock) 9 p.m. \$5	Friends of the Devilin w/Special Guest Greg Douglass (guitarist for the Steve Miller Band) 9 p.m. \$10	The Distractions (hits from '80s and beyond) 7:30 p.m. Free	[T] New Year's Eve Dance Party w/DJs Anya Slayer, Blancatron, Zero One 9 p.m. \$10
BEAR RIVER CASINO RESORT 11 Bear Paws Way, Loleta (707) 733-9644		Thirsty Bear: Music Video Mashup 9 p.m. Free	Thirsty Bear: DJ Pressure (club nights) 9 p.m. Free	Thirsty Bear: Karaoke Sundays 9 p.m. Free	[T] DJ Statik New Year's (club nights) 9 p.m. Free
BLUE LAKE CASINO WAVE LOUNGE 777 Casino Way, Blue Lake (707) 668-9770		Wave: DJ D-Funk ('90s club hits) 8 p.m. Free	Sapphire: Early NYE Celebration with Fooz Fighters (Foo Fighters tribute band) 9 p.m. Free, Wave: Take Cover (cover hits) 9 p.m. Free		[M] Treat Yourself Entertainment Karaoke 8-11 p.m. Free, [T] New Year's Eve with Monument Road (country) 9 p.m. Free
CENTRAL STATION SPORTS BAR 1631 Central Ave., McKinleyville (707) 839-2013		Treat Yourself Entertainment Karaoke 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Free			[M] Pool Tournament 6 p.m.
CRISP LOUNGE 2029 Broadway, Eureka, (707) 798-1934	Up In Joke! Comedy Open Mic 8 p.m.			Open Mic Night 6:30 p.m.	[M] Pete's Projecting Again! (comedy/variety) 7-9 p.m. \$5, [T] Pool Tournament 6 p.m. \$10, [W] Kara-Smokey! 7 p.m. Free
THE HEIGHTS CASINO FIREWATER LOUNGE 27 Scenic Drive, Trinidad (707) 677-3611			Jimi Jeff & the Gypsy Band (funk, rock, blues) 8 p.m. Free		[T] NYE with Take Cover (cover hits) 8 p.m. Free
HISTORIC EAGLE HOUSE 139 Second St., Eureka (707) 444-3344					[T] Intergalactic Opulence - Historic Eagle House New Years Eve Ball 9 p.m.-3 a.m. \$28-\$88
HUMBOLDT BREWS 856 10th St., Arcata (707) 826-2739		Barry 'The Fish' Melton, Los Chicarrones 8 p.m. \$20, \$15			
KAPTAIN'S QUARTERS 517 F St., Eureka (707) 798-1273		Holus Bolus (one man psychedelic acoustiloop) 8-11 p.m. Free	Phoenix (solo acoustic Grateful Americana) 8-10 p.m. Free		[T] NYE Celebration w/DJs Immolate and Apparition 8 p.m. Free, [W] Open Mic Night hosted by Trip 6:30-10 p.m. Free
THE LOGGER BAR 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake (707) 668-5000		Jazz Bros 4-6 p.m., Gnawed On, The Uncredible Phin Band 9 p.m.			[T] NYE at the Logger Bar w/BarnFire 9 p.m.
MINIPIX 401 I St., Arcata (707) 630-5000	G.O.A.T Karaoke 8:30 p.m. two-drink minimum		Hispanic! at the Disco presents: El Último Sábado Y2K'24 9 p.m.	G.O.A.T Karaoke 8:30 p.m. two-drink minimum	[T] NYE Karaoke - The Final Countdown 8:30 p.m.

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OCEAN GROVE COCKTAIL LOUNGE 480 Patrick's Point Dr., Trinidad (707) 677-3543					[M] Rudelion DanceHall Mondayz (reggae, dancehall, soca) 8 p.m. \$5
PAPA WHEELIES PUB 1584 Reasor Rd., McKinleyville, (707) 630-5084			Live Music 6-9 p.m.		
REDWOOD RAKS WORLD DANCE STUDIO 824 L St., Arcata					[T] New Year's Eve Family Party and Ball 6 p.m.-midnight \$10-\$20, free for kids under 12
SAVAGE HENRY COMEDY CLUB 415 Fifth St., Eureka (707) 845-8864	Just Joshin' 9 p.m. \$10	X (comedy) 7 p.m., Matt Kirshen (stand-up) 9 p.m. \$10, The Latest Show 10:30 p.m. \$5	Jeff Diehl (stand-up) 9 p.m. \$10, Braturday Night Live 10:45 p.m. \$5	2 Mics, 1 Dungeon 7 p.m. \$2, Open Mic 9 p.m. \$5	[M] Legally Savage 9 p.m. \$1, [T] King Gizzard and the Lizard Wizard NYE Dance Party 7 p.m.-2 a.m. Free, [W] New Year Mic 9 p.m. Free
SEPTENTRIO BARREL ROOM 935 I St., Arcata					[M,T] New Years Jubilee w/Object Heavy, Magnificent Sanctuary Band, DJ Red and King Maxwell 7 p.m. \$25 on 12/30, \$35 on 12/31, \$45 both nights
SIREN'S SONG TAVERN 325 Second St., Eureka (707) 442-8778	Open Mic Night 7:30 p.m. Free	Family Comedy Night 8 p.m. \$5	Image Pit, Mystery Meat, Cheshire High, TeethEater 8 p.m. \$5-\$20	Sunday Funday (board games provided or bring your own) Free	[T] Siren's Sessions - Open Format Jam, 8 p.m. Free
SIX RIVERS BREWERY 1300 Central Ave., McKinleyville (707) 839-7580			Buddy Reed and th' Rip it Ups (blues, rock) 6-8 p.m. Free		
SPEAKEASY 411 Opera Alley, Eureka (707) 444-2244		Friday Night Jazz 8-10 p.m. Free	Jenni and David and the Sweet Soul Band (soul, funk) 7-10 p.m. Free		[T] Tuesday Night Jazz 7-10 p.m. Free
VISTA DEL MAR 91 Commercial St., Eureka (707) 443-3770	Treat Yourself Entertainment Karaoke 9 p.m.-midnight Free				
THE WINE CELLAR 407 Second St., Eureka (707) 834-2773			NYE Weekend Party w/Young & Lovely 8-11 p.m. Free		

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The End

By Collin Yeo

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For reasons of space and decorum, I'm going to (mostly) hold my tongue about 2024, other than to say, man, what an evil nightmare. Here's hoping the next one eases up a lot. And if it doesn't, I'm coming swinging for the kid in the top hat and the "2025" sash.

See ya next year.

Thursday

The **Claire Bent Jazz Quintet** is playing a show at the Basement tonight, in case you are in the mood for being on the receiving end of some of the best pipes in the county backed up by a fine group of local journeymen jazz-bos. No cover and doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Friday

Lots of gigs going down tonight, but I'd like to give a shout out to two, something old, and something new. In the first camp is **Holus Bolus**, a one-man guitar looping sound-meister who I've been writing about and advocating for since my first days on this beat. He's playing a free gig at the Kaptain's Quarters tonight at 8 p.m. Another free show is happening an hour later at the Logger Bar. **Gnawed On** is a new group I caught during Porch Fest, who dabble in a mathy, heavy, grungy sound or-deal that I found charming. Also on board is **The Uncredible Phin Band**, a band lead by Oryan Peterson-Jones of world music fame here and abroad, and centered around the titular Thai guitar, buttressed by some sexy grooves from the rhythm section.

Saturday

Here are two very different shows happening at roughly the same time, 9 p.m.-ish, and for more or less the same price. The Basement is featuring guitarist **Greg Douglass**, possibly most famous for his time with the Steve Miller Band, during which he co-wrote the hit *Jungle Love*. He'll be sitting in with Grateful Dead-ites **Friends of the Devlin**. Just \$10 gets you in the cavern of sound.

A few blocks towards the tsunami zone will take you to the Miniplex, where acclaimed local DJ duo **Hispanic! At the Disco** will be spinning all the Latin beats,

cumbia treats and reggaeton bombs you could possibly want to shake some butt-meat to (I'm losing my perspicacity, along with my mind, and just giving in to casual vulgarity like a warm bath to eternity). This one's a sliding scale dance party, \$5-\$10 to be exact.

At 8 p.m. at the Siren's Song Tavern, there will be a fundraising benefit show for the embattled venue, which, word on the street, has it potentially closing up shop as early as January. Local heavies **Image Pit**, **Mystery Meat**, **Cheshire High** and **TeethEater** are joining forces to try to keep the lights on. You can help, too, by coming through and chipping in \$5-\$20 at the door towards the effort.

Sunday

Let's break from the musical build-up to the year-killer and enjoy a day at the movies. The Eureka Theater is showing a 2 p.m. matinee of **An American Tail**, the beloved 1986 film animated by Don Bluth and co. about the coming to America story of young Fievel Mousekewitz, whose family is escaping a Cossack pogrom in the Ukraine (\$10, \$5 for kids 12 and under).

Three hours later at the Arcata Theatre Lounge, you will encounter the latest Miyazaki flick *The Boy and the Heron*, which is a very different tale of wartime violence and a synergistic relationship between humans and animals. Get in the door with \$8; \$12 lets you leave with a poster.

Monday

It's New Year's Eve-eve, and the folks at Septentrio are kicking off a two-night goodbye to 2024 with a couple of big-ol' dance parties starting at 7 p.m. **DJs Red** and **King Maxwell** will be providing the musical mortar to fill the gaps between sets by funk masters **Object Heavy** and Deadheads **The Magnificent Sanctuary Band**. The pricing structure goes a little something like this: \$25 for tonight, \$35 for New Year's Eve, and \$45 if you want to bundle the experience and go to both nights.

New Year's Eve

It's the long goodbye, coming in early in the week this year, and I'm going to make



Oryan Peterson-Jones of The Uncredible Phin Band, playing the Logger Bar on Friday, Dec. 27, at 9 p.m.

Courtesy of the artist

a few suggestions, not in chronological order, but rather paired by location and style. For instance, if you are interested in some DJ'ed dance parties, you can check out the big EDM blow at the Arcata Theatre Lounge at 8:30 p.m., with **Bass Culture**, **Whomp**, **John Holliday**, **Esch** and many more. Tickets are \$20, \$15 advance, and \$30 if you want to go to this shindig as well as Friday's reenactment.

If you want to go a little lighter on the bass and the wallet, slip \$10 to the door person at the Basement around the same time to enjoy the darker wax spins of **DJs Blancatron**, **Zero One** and **Anya Slayer**. If country music is your deal, head over to Blue Lake, where there are two shows available in that genre. **Monument Road** will be at the Casino at 9 p.m., while the magnificent outlaw country act **Barnfire** will be burning it up at the Logger Bar an hour later. Both shows are free.

Finally, if you're looking for some fun in Eureka — and let's be honest, who isn't? —, you can go light on the wallet and hang out at Savage Henry Comedy Club starting at 7 p.m., where **DJs Billabong** and **Ghila Ghila** will be spinning the music of Australian microtonal cult jam band King Gizzard & the Lizard Wizard.

If you want to dance to the DJ's beat and enjoy some burlesque performers doing the same, the Eagle House has your ticket at 9 p.m. Burning Leaf and Fraktal Productions present the 8th annual New Year's Eve Ball at said venue, with **Alex**

Sibley, **Papa Lu**, **Marjo Lak**, **Jsun**, **L.S.B.**

and perhaps most importantly to some of you, the **Gambino Glitter Mob Burlesque** troupe. (\$35).

New Year's Day

Welcome to the future. I don't know what to say other than hopefully it will be less terrible, shitty and infuriating than the recent past and present. I completely understand if you find yourself immobilized by last night, or last year for that matter. But assuming you aren't frozen in terror or hungover malaise, the Arcata Theatre Lounge is playing the ultimate film about the past and the future. Stanley Kubrick's masterpiece **2001: A Space Odyssey** remains one of the most visually stunning and conceptually brilliant films about space travel, evolution, what it means to be human and the dangers of A.I. Kubrick (probably) had no way of knowing this in 1968 but, as it has been pointed out, our cell phones now resemble the black monoliths, outfitted with an unblinking eye like that of the nefarious HAL 9000. Not an ideal combo, but I am happy to face such a degradation if we end up with a world-changing Starchild on the backend of the deal. Anywho, doors open at 6 p.m., the show is at 7 p.m., there's a raffle in between and tickets are \$6, \$10 if you care for a poster. ●

Collin Yeo (he/him) is ready for something completely different.

Calendar

Dec. 26, 2024 – Jan. 2, 2025



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From the people who brought you some of Humboldt's most memorable dance parties comes a New Year's Eve celebration where Studio 54 meets *Star Trek*. Blast off into 2025 at Burningleaf and Fraktal Productions' eighth annual **New Year's Eve Ball: Intergalactic Opulence**, at the **Historic Eagle House** on **Tuesday, Dec. 31**, from **9 p.m. to 3 a.m.** (\$28-\$88). Under the stained glass roof of the Eagle House Ballroom, DJs Alex Sibley, Papa Lu, Marjo Lak, Jsun and L.S.B. keep the dance floor moving while Gambino Glitter Mob Burlesque performers bring the sparkle of distant galaxies down to Earth. VIP guests enjoy an exclusive bar and lounge with midnight toast and treats, while everyone can explore the cosmic tea lounge or capture memories in the celestial photo booth. When midnight rolls around, join the crowd for a classic balloon drop to welcome the new year. Get tickets for this 21-and-up event at eventbrite.com.



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Looking for a family-friendly way to welcome 2025? Join the **New Year's Ball** party at **Redwood Raks World Dance Studio** on **Tuesday, Dec. 31**, from **6 p.m. to 12:45 a.m.** (\$10-\$20 sliding scale, kids under 12 free). The evening starts with a special **kids' party** from **6 to 9 p.m.**, complete with potluck snacks and an early "midnight" countdown timed with the East Coast ball drop — perfect for younger revelers (\$20/family). The main event kicks into gear at **8 p.m.** with a dance lesson, followed by DJ music and dancing at **9 p.m.** Enjoy creative mocktails, tasty treats and special performances throughout the night, all culminating in a midnight balloon drop. This alcohol-free celebration offers two ways to party: Bring the whole family for the early festivities or come for the main event.

26 Thursday

ART

Figure Drawing at Synopsis. 7-9 p.m. Synopsis Collective, 1675 Union St., Eureka. With a live model. Bring your own art supplies. Call to contact Clint. \$5. synopsisperformance.com. (707) 362-9392.

BOOKS

Book Donation Drive. Noon Arcata Library, 500 Seventh St. The Friends of the Arcata Library host collection for the Jan. 4, 2025 book sale. All proceeds go toward book purchases for the library. Please bring books to the front circulation desk. Free. friendsofthearcatalibrary@gmail.com. friendsofthearcatalibrary.org. (707) 840-5308.

MEETINGS

Creative Community Mixer. Fourth Thursday of every month, 5:30-7 p.m. Phatsy Kline's Parlor Lounge, 139 Second St., Eureka. Join for drinks and yummys, socialize and share with fellow creatives and artists to build community and mutual reliance. Free. events@historiceaglehouse.com. (707) 444-3344.

OUTDOORS

Nature Quest. 3-6 p.m. Headwaters Forest Reserve, End of Elk River Road, 6 miles off U.S. Highway 101, Eureka. Explore trails and share mindfulness practices, group conversation and other eco-therapeutic activities. Transportation available for Eureka residents. Call to pre-register. Free. chaskell@eurekaca.gov. eurekaheroes.org. (707) 382-5338.

SPORTS

Lost Coast Cornhole League Night. Fourth and Last Thursday of every month, 6-10 p.m. Fortuna Veterans Hall/Memorial Building, 1426 Main St. Monthly league nights are open to all ages and skill levels. Registration opens at 5 p.m. Games at 6 p.m. Different format each

week. Bags are available to borrow if you do not own a set. Drinks available at the Canteen. Outside food OK. \$15. mike@buffaloboard.com.

ETC

OUT 4 Business. Last Thursday of every month, 5-7 p.m. Phatsy Kline's Parlor Lounge, 139 Second St., Eureka. An LGBTQ+ professionals' networking mixer providing an open and welcoming environment for all people of the LGBTQ+ community as well as friends, allies and business professionals who value diversity and inclusivity. events@historiceaglehouse.com. fb.me/e/3XK7QZyuk. (707) 444-3344.

27 Friday

ART

Life Drawing Sessions. 10 a.m.-noon. Redwood Art Association Gallery, 603 F St., Eureka. Hosted by Joyce Jonté. \$10, cash or Venmo.

BOOKS

Book Donation Drive. Noon Arcata Library, 500 Seventh St. See Dec. 26 listing.

FOR KIDS

Kid's Night at the Museum. 5:30-8 p.m. Redwood Discovery Museum, 612 G St., Eureka. Drop off your 3.5-12 year old for interactive exhibits, science experiments, crafts and games, exploring the planetarium, playing in the water table or jumping into the soft blocks. \$17-\$20. info@discovery-museum.org. discovery-museum.org/classesprograms.html. (707) 443-9694.

Weekly Preschool Story Time. Eureka Library, 1313 Third St. Talk, sing, read, write and play together in the children's room. For children 2 to 6 years old with their caregivers. Other family members are welcome to join in the fun. Free. manthony@co.humboldt.ca.us. humlib.org. (707) 269-1910.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

Zoo Lights. 5-8 p.m. Sequoia Park Zoo, 3414 W St., Eureka. More than 2 miles of lights, reimagined holiday displays and the illumination of the 274-foot living Christmas tree. \$5, \$4 EBT/BIC/WIC/zoo members. sequoiaparkzoo.net.

SPORTS

December Skate Nights. 6:30-9 p.m. Eureka Municipal Auditorium, 1120 F St. First-come, first-served. No pre-registration needed. Maximum 75 skaters. \$6, \$5 ages 17 and under. (707) 441-4248.

Humboldt's Gateway to the Redwoods Skating Rink. 1-5 p.m. Sherwood Forest Upper Parking Lot, 814 Redwood Drive, Garberville. A 30-by-50-foot synthetic ice rink under an event tent. Through Jan. 5, weather permitting. See website for special theme days. \$6-\$75, includes skate rental.

28 Saturday

BOOKS

Book Donation Drive. Noon Arcata Library, 500 Seventh St. See Dec. 26 listing.

FOOD

Arcata Farmers' Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Arcata Plaza, Ninth and G streets. Open every Saturday, year round, offering fresh produce, meat, fish, cheese, eggs, bread, flowers and more. Enjoy music and hot food vendors at this fun, family friendly event. No pets are allowed, but trained, ADA certified, service animals are welcome. Cal-Fresh EBT customers are able to receive a market match at every farmers' market to help make fresh food more affordable. info@northcoastgrowersassociation.org. www.northcoastgrowersassociation.org. (707) 441-9999.

Fair Curve Farm Stand. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Fair Curve Farm Stand, 600 Main St., Ferndale. Seasonal, Certified Organic vegetables and flowers from Fair Curve Farm, plus local

eggs and sourdough bread products from other local producers. We accept cash, card, Apple Pay and EBT. @faircurvefarm on Instagram and Facebook. faircurvefarm@gmail.com. faircurvefarm.com.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

NYE Weekend Party. 8-11 p.m. The Wine Cellar, 407 Second St., Eureka. A themed *The Phantom of the Opera* party with Young & Lovely. Free. facebook.com/thewinecellar407/.

Zoo Lights. 5-8 p.m. Sequoia Park Zoo, 3414 W St., Eureka. See Dec. 27 listing.

OUTDOORS

FOAM Marsh Tour. 2 p.m. Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary Interpretive Center, 569 S. G St. Meet leader Sharon Levy at 2 p.m. in the lobby of the Interpretive Center (AMIC) on South G Street for a 90-minute, rain-or-shine walk focusing on birds, wastewater treatment, and/or Marsh history. Free. (707) 826-2359.

Mitote at the Dunes. 3-6 p.m. Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Lane, Manila. Featuring cultural dance by Danza Azteca-Mexica club of Cal Poly Humboldt, free street tacos, engaging games and hands-on crafts for all ages. Free.

SPORTS

Fortuna Recreational Volleyball. 10 a.m.-noon. Fortuna High School, 379 12th St. Ages 45 and Up. Call Dolly. In the Girls Gym. (707) 725-3709.

Humboldt's Gateway to the Redwoods Skating Rink. Noon-5 p.m. Sherwood Forest Upper Parking Lot, 814 Redwood Drive, Garberville. See Dec. 27 listing.

ETC

Adult Skate Night. Last Saturday of every month, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Fortuna Skating Rink, Rohner Park. Ages 18 and older only. IDs checked at door. Alcohol and drug-free event. \$5.50 includes skate rental.

The Bike Library. Noon-4 p.m. The Bike Library, 1286 L St., Arcata. Hands-on repair lessons and general maintenance, used bicycles and parts for sale. Donations of parts and bicycles gladly accepted. nothingtoseehere@riseup.net.

Thursday-Friday-Saturday Canteen. 3-9 p.m. Redwood Empire VFW Post 1872, 1018 H St., Eureka. Enjoy a cold beverage in the canteen with comrades. Play pool or darts. If you're a veteran, this place is for you. Free. PearceHansen999@outlook.com. (707) 443-5331.

29 Sunday

DANCE

Afro-Fusion Feel and Flow. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The Sanctuary, 1301 J St., Arcata. Explore and enjoy a fusion of West African movements from Guinea, Senegal, Liberia, Congo and Mali with the genre of Afro beats and traditional West African drumming. \$10-\$15. together@sanctuaryarcata.org. sanctuaryarcata.org. (707) 822-0898.

MOVIES

An American Tail (1986). 2:30-4:30 p.m. Eureka Theater, 612 F St. Fievel Mousekewitz, a young Russian-Jewish mouse, is separated from his loved ones on the way to America. \$10, \$5 youth 12 and under. info@theeurekath-eater.com. (707) 442-2970.

The Boy & The Heron (2023). 5-8 p.m. Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Pre-show 5 p.m. Movie at 6 p.m. In the wake of his mother's death and his father's remarriage, a headstrong boy ventures into a dreamlike world of the living and dead. \$8, \$12 admission and poster. info@arcatatheatre.com. (707) 613-3030.

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THEATER

Something Different. 7 p.m. EXIT Theatre, 890 G St., Arcata. Hosted by Bobby Burns and Shea FreeLove, featuring live music by Icarus and Suns, Tony Fuemmeler from Dell'Arte International and circus performance by Raine Song. \$10.

FOOD

Food Not Bombs. 4 p.m. Arcata Plaza, Ninth and G streets. Free, hot food for everyone. Mostly vegan and organic and always delicious. Free.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

Zoo Lights. 5-8 p.m. Sequoia Park Zoo, 3414 W St., Eureka. See Dec. 27 listing.

SPORTS

Humboldt's Gateway to the Redwoods Skating Rink. Noon-4 p.m. Sherwood Forest Upper Parking Lot, 814 Redwood Drive, Garberville. See Dec. 27 listing.

30 Monday

ART

Life Drawing Sessions. 6-8 p.m. Redwood Art Association Gallery, 603 F St., Eureka. See Dec. 27 listing.

ETC

Homesharing Info Session. 9:30-10 a.m. and 1-1:30 p.m. This informational Zoom session will go over the steps and safeguards of Area 1 Agency on Aging's matching process and the different types of homeshare partnerships. Email for the link. Free. homeshare@alaa.org. alaa.org/homesharing. (707) 442-3763.

31 Tuesday

FOR KIDS

Teen and Family Vision Boarding. 1-3 p.m. Eureka Library, 1313 Third St. Families and teens are invited to get creative and set new goals and affirmations. Collage materials will be available or bring your own photos and supplies. Free. flujan@co.humboldt.ca.us. humlib.org. (707) 269-1910.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

NYE Celebration w/DJs Immolate and Apparition. 8 p.m. Kaptain's Quarters, 517 F street, Eureka. Dance into 2025 with the best mixes of house, swing, funk and soul. Champagne toasts available all night. Free. kaptainsquarters.com.

Intergalactic Opulence ~ Historic Eagle House New Years Eve Ball. 9 p.m.-3 a.m. The Historic Eagle House, 139 Second St., Eureka. DJ sets, burlesque performances, balloon drop. \$28-\$88. events@historiceaglehouse.com. historiceaglehouse.com/live-music-events. (707) 444-3344.

King Gizzard and the Lizard Wizard NYE Dance Party. 7 p.m.-2 a.m. Savage Henry Comedy Club, 415 Fifth St., Eureka. Spun and curated by Dr. Billabong and Dj Ghila Ghila. Free. savagehenrycomedy.com.

New Year's Ball. 6 p.m.-12:45 a.m. Redwood Raks World Dance Studio, 824 L St., Arcata. Dance your way into 2025 with Humboldt's biggest no-alcohol New Year's Eve party. Dance lesson from 8-9 p.m., followed by DJ music and dancing. Enjoy mocktails, snacks, performances and a balloon drop at midnight. Kids party from 6-9 p.m. before the main event, with potluck snacks and a celebration of the east coast New Year at 9 p.m. Parents and kids: \$20/family. \$10-\$20 sliding scale, free for kids under 12. redwoodraks.com.

New Year's Eve: Year of the Bass. 8:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Bass Culture Music

Group and Arcata Theatre Lounge present Esch, Jon Holliday, Whomp, Storytime Crew and BassCulture. \$30-\$15. arcatatheatre.com.

New Year's Eve Celebration: Emerald City. 5 p.m. Bear River Casino Resort, 11 Bear Paws Way, Loleta. Details online. facebook.com/events/892151419132566.

New Year's Eve Dance Party. 9 p.m. The Basement, 780 Seventh St., Arcata. With DJs Anya Slayer, Blancatron, Zero One. Playing hits from the '70s, '80s, '90s and more. \$10.

Zoo Lights. 5-8 p.m. Sequoia Park Zoo, 3414 W St., Eureka. See Dec. 27 listing.

MEETINGS

Humboldt Cribbage Club Tournament. 6:15-9 p.m. Moose Lodge, 4328 Campton Road, Eureka. Weekly six-game cribbage tournament for experienced players. Inexperienced players may watch, learn and play on the side. Moose dinner available at 5:30 p.m. \$3-\$8. 31for14@gmail.com. (707) 599-4605.

OUTDOORS

Nature Journaling at the Arcata Marsh. Last Tuesday of every month, 9-11 a.m. Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary Interpretive Center, 569 S. G St. No pre-registration required but sessions are limited to the first 10 people. All ages welcome, if they can concentrate quietly for an extended period. Heavy rain cancels. Clipboards and colored pencils provided; bring notebook, journal or other paper and a writing implement. Wear weather-appropriate clothing. info@arcatamarshfriends.org. (707) 826-2359.

ETC

English Express: An English Language Class for Adults. Virtual World, online. Build English language confidence in ongoing online and in-person classes. All levels and first languages welcome. Join anytime. Pre-registration not required. Free. englishexpressempowered.com. (707) 443-5021.

1 Wednesday

ART

Art Club. First Wednesday of every month, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Redwood Retro, 211 G St., Eureka. Come for the conversation and bring your own project or get materials and instruction for an additional fee. Sign-up and this month's project online. \$22. stainedghost.com.

LECTURE

FOAM Lecture. 7 p.m. Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary Interpretive Center, 569 S. G St. Join Friends of the Arcata Marsh president and retired high school biology teacher Elliott Dabill to learn about why the Golden State has such diverse wildlife, climate and landforms. His presentation, entitled "How California's Geology Came to Be," is part of the First Wednesday Lecture Series sponsored by FOAM. Followed by a Q&A session, and carried live on Zoom. Free.

MOVIES

Sci-Fi Night: 2001: A Space Odyssey (1968). 6-9:30 p.m. Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Pre-show 6 p.m. Raffle 6:45 p.m. Main feature 7 p.m. A spacecraft manned by two humans and one ominous supercomputer go to Jupiter. \$6, \$10 admission and poster. info@arcatatheatre.com. (707) 613-3030.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

New Year's Day Bingo Celebration. 10:30 a.m. Bear River Casino and Resort Tish Non Ballroom, 11 Bear Paws Way, Loleta. Ring in the New Year with fun and festive surprises. All bingo patrons will receive a free brunch voucher to enjoy on New Year's Day. Attendees will also be entered into

a raffle for door prizes. marketing@bearrivercasino.com.

MEETINGS

350 Humboldt Monthly General Meeting. First Wednesday of every month, 6-7:30 p.m. Learn about and engage in climate change activism with a community of like-minded people. Zoom link at world.350.org/humboldt. Free. 350Humboldt@gmail.com. world.350.org/humboldt/. (707) 677-3359.

Mother's Support Circle. First Wednesday of every month, 10 a.m.-noon. The Ink People Center for the Arts, 627 Third St., Eureka. Mother's Village circle for mothers with a meal and childcare. \$15 to attend, \$10 childcare, sliding scale spots available. (707) 633-3143.

OUTDOORS

New Year's Day Walk. 10 a.m. Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary Interpretive Center, 569 S. G St. Join Paul Johnson and Renshin Bunce for Friends of the Arcata Marsh's annual New Year's Day walk. If you'd like to set out on a 1.5- to 2-hour, rain-or-shine leg-stretcher, meet at 10 a.m. in front of the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center on South G Street. Free. (707) 826-2359.

2 Thursday

ART

Figure Drawing at Synopsis. 7-9 p.m. Synopsis Collective, 1675 Union St., Eureka. See Dec. 26 listing.

MOVIES

The Dark Knight (2008). 6-9:30 p.m. Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Pre-show 6 p.m. Movie at 7 p.m. The Joker battles Batman, James Gordon and Harvey Dent in

Gotham. \$8, \$12 admission and poster. jason@arcatatheatre.com. (707) 613-3030.

MEETINGS

Public Speaking Club Toastmasters International. Every other Thursday, noon-1 p.m. Adorni Recreation Center, 1011 Waterfront Drive, Eureka. Members meet to deliver and evaluate prepared and impromptu speeches to improve as speakers and leaders. Free. jandre@alaa.org. ci.eureka.ca.gov/depts/recreation/adorni_center.asp.

OUTDOORS

Nature Quest. 3-6 p.m. Headwaters Forest Reserve, End of Elk River Road, 6 miles off U.S. Highway 101, Eureka. See Dec. 26 listing.

ETC

Toad Talks. First Thursday of every month, 1-3 p.m. Coffee Break Cafe, 700 Bayside Road, Arcata. A free-form, walk-in class and oracle group on ancient astrology, tarot and hermeticism. \$10-\$20 suggested donation. coffeebreakhumboldt@gmail.com. coffeebreak-arcata.com. (707) 825-6685.

Heads Up ...

Kinetic Universe is accepting applicants from artists to design the poster and merchandise for the 2025 Kinetic Grand Championship. Send proof of concept and at least two samples of your work to tysonritter@kineticuniverse.org by Dec. 31. for consideration.

EXIT Theatre seeks submissions for its Short Play Festival. Festival entries will be accepted Jan. 1-31. Twelve plays will have the opportunity for full-stage production. Guidelines for playwrights are at theexit.org. ●

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Deliberations

Conclave and *Juror No. 2*

By John J. Bennett

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CONCLAVE. Having heretofore missed (or avoided) the latest from Edward Berger, a German director I had never heard of until his remake of *All Quiet on the Western Front* (2022) garnered massive critical and awards recognition, one might be inclined to pass over it all together. But then, in the spirit of the season, local theaters had precious little to offer (although I still intend to see *Flow*) and I was concurrently sidelined by a festively debilitating illness. And so, both in service to my inexplicable awards-time completionism and a morbid curiosity regarding the possibility of a two-hour drama about the election of the new pope being as compelling as it has been made out to be, I figured it was worth a shot; 'tis the season and it's streaming for free on Peacock anyway.

Although I wouldn't list *Conclave* among my personal favorites of the year, I can at least now see what all the fuss has been about. What could easily have been a dour, stodgy parlor mystery about, as I've heard it described, "men in dress-es," is instead a propulsive, sumptuously designed examination of secrecy and tradition counterbalanced by the need, perhaps more vital than ever, for progress and inclusion. It's still a little dour, for those keeping score.

Following the unexpected death of the Holy Father, Cardinal Lawrence (Ralph Fiennes), already struggling with his faith and position within the papacy, is tasked with convening and administering the titular voting body. Probably a big ask under ideal circumstances and in this instance there are political machinations afoot.

As the balloting process gets underway, Lawrence makes it clear he will throw his own support and whatever influence he can muster behind Cardinal Bellini (Stanley Tucci), the foremost voice of liberalism within the church. But Lawrence finds himself with a surprising number of votes in his own favor, splintering the progressives and solidifying the position of some of the more exclusionary cardinals in contention. What's more, it becomes increasingly clear that the late Pope selected Lawrence

for his keen powers of detection, his skepticism, as much as for his faith and humanism. And so Lawrence sets about gathering evidence to determine what sort of clandestine politicking is in play and who is responsible.

To expect a movie like this, about ancient rites within an ancient institution, to sparkle with modernism and technique would be foolish. But to have feared that it would be dull or hidebound speaks to another type of foolishness. *Conclave* sets off from a screenplay that delicately balances the ambition and humanity of the priests at its center, incorporates thriller elements and turns whodunit before delivering a genuinely unexpected coda that's more than a little risky. And Berger's style, which could be accused of formalism, expresses the tension and tradition inherent in the material with something close to perfection.

Conclave is undoubtedly a work of a certain type, a Serious Movie that demands our attention and inevitably vies for awards, and in saying that I can hear my own note of condescension. But to dismiss it as a relic, as out of step or too traditional to be relevant, does it a disservice. PG. 120M. PEACOCK.

JUROR NO. 2. While we're on the subject of traditionalism and dismissiveness, it makes sense to proceed to the case of Clint Eastwood, one of the great American filmmakers and one whose legacy has been at least partially obscured, toward the end of his seven-decade career, by some dicey political and social views.

Whether such considerations lead to his most recent work being barely released in theaters and summarily shunted to the Max streaming service will likely never be made fully clear to flunkies like me. But in light of the systematic mishandling of the movie commercially, the work takes on another, more complex life.

A writer and recovering alcoholic named Justin (Nicholas Hoult) whose partner (Zoey Deutch) is well into the third trimester of a high-risk pregnancy, is selected to serve on the jury for



Trying to head into 2025 with some positivity.
Conclave

a high-profile murder trial. The district attorney prosecuting the case rightfully sees it as a key to her election campaign, and most of the jurors (and investigators) perceive it as an open and shut case. But Justin knows something about the events leading to the death of the young woman in question, knowledge that must inform his conduct as a juror.

Eastwood gets a not-unfairly bad rap for his politics sometimes, but the underlying theme seems to be distrust of institutions, or at least a contempt for the corruption thereof. Sometimes he'll surprise us, though, as he has here, well into his 90s, with a concise, deftly crafted and told story about moral ambiguity and the essential nature of justice. In less capable hands, this would play like episodic television, or any of a variety of courtroom potboilers. But it is so masterfully made, so credibly acted and economically structured, that it elevates itself, certainly beyond the streaming anonymity to which it has been consigned. PG13. 114M. MAX. ●

John J. Bennett (he/him) is a movie nerd who loves a good car chase.

NOW PLAYING

BABYGIRL. Nicole Kidman stars with Harris Dickinson in a drama about a married CEO who has an affair with an intern. R. 114M. BROADWAY, MILL CREEK.

A COMPLETE UNKNOWN. Early Bob Dylan biopic starring Timothée Chalamet. R. 140M. BROADWAY, MILL CREEK.

THE FIRE INSIDE. Boxing biopic about Olympiad Claressa "T-Rex" Shields. PG13. 109M. BROADWAY, MILL CREEK.

FLOW. Latvian animation about a cat that joins a boatload of animals escaping a flood. PG. 85M. MINOR.

GLADIATOR II. Bread and circuses with Paul Mescal and Connie Nielson, and Roman zaddies Denzel Washington and Pedro Pascal. R. 148M. BROADWAY.

HOMESTEAD. Post-nuclear prepper drama. PG13. 112M. BROADWAY.

KRAVEN THE HUNTER. Abs, fur and daddy issues in a Marvel origin story starring Aaron Taylor-Johnson and Russell Crowe. R. 127M. BROADWAY.

LORD OF THE RINGS: THE WAR OF THE ROHIRIM. Tolkien adventure at the center of the Venn diagram of anime fans, D&D nerds and horse girls. PG13. 134M. BROADWAY.

MOANA 2. A sequel for the seafaring animated heroine. PG. 100M. BROADWAY, MILL CREEK.

MUFASA: THE LION KING. Animated prequel directed by Barry Jenkins. PG. 118M. BROADWAY (3D), MILL CREEK.

NOSFERATU. A gothic reboot with Bill Skarsgård, Willem Dafoe and Lily-Rose Depp (*clutches garlic). R. 132M. BROADWAY, MILL CREEK, MINOR.

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 3. More live action and animated wackiness with Jim Carrey and Keanu Reeves. PG. 110M. BROADWAY, MILL CREEK.

WICKED. Cynthia Erivo and Arianna Grande star as young witches in the musical Oz prequel. PG. 160M. BROADWAY, MILL CREEK, MINOR.

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By Matt Jones

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ACROSS

- Bitter brews
- Actress Gadot
- 77%, often
- "I got it!"
- Actress Delevingne
- Alpaca's relative
- Leaf-and-stem angle
- Meta nickname?
- Nibble away
- Reminiscent of a photographer's storage closet?
- Marbles, in a series run by YouTuber Jelle
- Medical pet handler
- Hex- halved
- Cardio exercise
- Auto designer Ferrari
- Fruit drink ending
- "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" spinoff
- Good ____ (fully repaired)
- Getting enough

sleep, practicing mindfulness, etc.?

- Bit of inspiration
- Longtime Boston Symphony Orchestra conductor Seiji
- "Well, look at that!"
- Haul
- Slop site
- They get blocked by blockers
- Metallic playing marble
- Winter activity
- Understands a "Beverly Hills Cop" instrumental theme?
- Fast food offering with dressing packets
- Actor Ke Huy ____ of 2025's "Love Hurts"
- "SNL" featured cast member Wakim

- Old Texas mission
- Huge coffee containers
- Nevada city near Tahoe
- Like candles or crayons
- ____ out a win
- Appease, as hunger

DOWN

- Computer debut of 1998
- "Inside Out 2" studio
- Persona's counterpart, to Jung
- Pick
- Magnetic induction unit named for a German mathematician
- St. Louis landmark
- World's largest artificial reservoir by surface area (located within Ghana)

- Chin dimple
- Try out, as a driving simulator
- Rower's muscle, for short
- "Kill Bill" star Thurman
- Pre-college exam
- Catherine the Great, e.g.
- Set up a new billiards match
- Table support
- Film score composer Morricone
- From Prague, perhaps
- "Could you elaborate?"
- Rapper who pioneered trap music
- Aides to execs
- Railroad station
- Make happy
- Like monstrosities

- Easternmost U.S. national park
- Pinball prize (if you match digits)
- Rises
- Grab a chair
- Philly team, for short
- Deceived
- Pogues lead singer MacGowan
- Ancient Greek site where Hercules slew the lion
- Quick flash of light
- Ankara native
- Arctic Ocean drifter
- Lumberjack's tool
- Carte starter
- Permissive

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS TO REVERSE ROUTES

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Redwood Sky Walk at Night

Story and photos by David Wilson
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An extraordinary journey awaits you at Humboldt County's Redwood Skywalk. Nestled amidst Humboldt's many breathtaking natural wonders, lies a human-made marvel that promises a remarkable journey into one of Nature's most awe-inspiring creations: the Californian coast redwood forest. The Redwood Sky Walk at Sequoia Park Zoo presents an almost quarter-mile tour of the forest, soaring up to 100 feet above the forest floor, accessible via convenient ramps. It provides an experience of the redwood forest like no other.

It has long been my passion to photograph light at night, and the redwood forest is the forest type that holds my heart. When my love of night photography coincided with a tour through the middle terrace of the redwoods at night, I was in heaven.

Photography is for sharing and it gives me pleasure to share this treasured experience. You must try the Redwood Sky Walk for yourself, for whether by night or by day, it is spectacular.

Most of the Sky Walk is solid underfoot and accessible to wheeled devices, but there are a few swinging bridges. Stepping onto them inevitably brings to my mind the bridge Kathleen Turner braved high above the gorge in *Romancing the Stone* but that is only my mind messing with me.

The swinging portions wobble and sway, yes, and they feel like walking on a water-bed — albeit 100 feet above the forest floor — but they also feel strong. I am not fond of heights, but I felt fine on the Sky Walk. And if you go at night, you can't see the forest floor in many places, allowing the illusion that one isn't really that far above the ground.

The Redwood Sky Walk is normally open during the day when the Zoo is open. But between now and Jan. 5, the Sequoia Park Zoo will also be showing off its towering lighted redwood Christmas tree. At the time of the tree's lighting, the Zoo team believed it to be the tallest lighted Christmas tree in the land at 174 feet, 9 inches, surpassing even Ferndale's mighty Sitka spruce tree and previous tallest Christmas tree record-holder.



A gentle incline takes one up onto the Redwood Skywalk. Photographed during Zoo Lights at Sequoia Park Zoo and Redwood Sky Walk. December, 2024.



The giant redwood Christmas Tree illuminated for Zoo Lights at Sequoia Park Zoo and Redwood Sky Walk. December, 2024.

However, even at that, apparently it is still not the tallest lighted Christmas tree in the country because, according to the Zoo's Special Projects Coordinator Kate Baldwin, a team in Mendocino County has lighted an even taller one. So it goes. But there is hope that the zoo can someday regain the record, as according to Zoo Director Jim Campbell-Spickler, the tree will grow 1-3 feet each year. Of course, so may the others.

Viewing of the lighted Christmas Tree is from 5-8 p.m. on select nights. Tickets are cheap at \$5 and include the Redwood Sky Walk. Visit redwoodzoo.org for more information.

Should you miss the Zoo Lights evening holiday viewing, you can visit the Redwood Sky Walk during regular daytime zoo hours, included in the regular admission price.

Cool facts: Redwood trees (*Sequoia sempervirens*) grow to be the tallest trees in the world. The Sequoia Park Zoo, founded in 1907, is the oldest accredited Zoo in California. In 2023, the Redwood Sky Walk was voted Best Aerial Adventure Park in the

nation by *USA Today* readers and received two prestigious awards from the Association of Zoos and Aquariums. The mixed-growth redwood forest in Sequoia Park is believed to be the tallest urban forest on the planet and has an average canopy height of 250 feet. The Redwood Skywalk itself is nearly ¼ mile long and reaches a height of 100 feet above the forest floor. During the 7.0 earthquake of Dec. 5, Campbell-Spickler and another professional climber were high in the Christmas tree hanging the decorations. "It was intense," he says of the experience. I'm sure it was! ●

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF Diane Katherine Goodman aka Kathy Goodman CASE NO. PR2402323
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Diane Katherine Goodman aka Kathy Goodman

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Petitioner, Linda Fredericks In the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt. The petition for probate requests that Linda Fredericks be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on January 2, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. at the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, in Dept.: 4 For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/> IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal

of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER: Jocelyn M. Godinho, Esq. 317 3rd Street, Suite 15 Eureka, CA 95501

12/12, 12/19, 12/26 (24-462)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF Mary B. Amen, a/k/a Mary Beth Amen, a/k/a Beth Amen CASE NO. PR2400331

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Mary B. Amen, a/k/a Mary Beth Amen, a/k/a Beth Amen A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Petitioner, Gretchen Lee Riegel In the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt. The petition for probate requests that Gretchen Lee Riegel be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on January 23, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. at the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, in Dept.: 4 For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/> IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice

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12/19, 12/26, 1/2 (24-469)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS WALNUT DRIVE UTILITY EARTHQUAKE RECOVERY AND RESILIENCY PROJECT

HUMBOLDT COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT 5055 WALNUT DRIVE, EUREKA, CA 95503

The specifications for the project are available on the District's website: <https://humboldtcsd.org/public-notice>. Printed packages are available from the Humboldt Community Services District Office by appointment only between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. To schedule an appointment, please call (707) 443-4550.

Sealed bids will be received by the Humboldt Community Services District at the District office at 5055 Walnut Drive, Eureka, CA 95503 until **5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, February 10, 2025**. Bids will be opened and read aloud at a public Zoom meeting to be held at **2:00 p.m. Pacific Time on February 11, 2025**. Sealed bid documents must be received in person or by US Mail or another courier. No fax or email bids will be accepted. It is estimated that the lowest responsible, responsive bidder will be provided notice of award as early as **February 21, 2025**. The successful bidder will then have **100 consecutive work days from March 31, 2025 and completed no later than November 3, 2025**, to complete the Walnut Drive Utility Earthquake Recovery and Resiliency Project.

The project extents are located within the Public Right of Way, and as such, the Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining an encroachment permit from the County of Humboldt and Submitting the traffic control plan located on sheet 10 of the plan sheets. Any traffic control plans required by the County beyond the attached traffic control plan will be the responsibility of the Contractor to produce the encroachment permit and traffic control plan shall be submitted to the District no later than a **minimum of four weeks** before constructions begins.

The contractor will be able to stage equipment and material in the yard of Humboldt community Services District. However, the contractor will only be able to access staged equipment and materials during work hours 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The District is not liable for any vandalism, damages, or stolen equipment or materials.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at **2:00 P.M. January 13, 2025**. The pre-bid meeting will be a webbased Zoom meeting. Please find the instructions for attending in the Notice to Contractors on page 2 of this section. Please email the District's Assistant Engineer at engineer@humboldtcsd.org to register for the meeting. The subject line of the email from the prospective contractors shall be: "Walnut Drive Utility Earthquake Recovery and Resiliency Pre-Bid Meeting Request." All prospective prime contractors are required to attend the meeting to be eligible to bid on this project.

The Humboldt Community Services District reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The Humboldt Community Services District will not be liable for any cost incurred by the bidder incidental to the preparation, submittal, or evaluation of their bids, or in the negotiation, execution, and delivery of an agreement that may be awarded as a result of this Advertisement for Bids.

Kush Rawal
Assistant Engineer
Humboldt Community Services District

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00533

The following person is doing Business as
Young Nails

Humboldt
1630 Broadway St
Eureka, CA 95501

Huy Q Tran
1630 Broadway St
Eureka, CA 95501

The business is conducted by an Individual. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 12/03/2024. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true

any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /s Huy Q Tran, Owner This December 3, 2024 by JR, Deputy Clerk

12/12, 12/19, 12/26, 1/2 (24-461)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00617

The following person is doing Business as
Camp Trinidad RV Resort

Humboldt
3443 Patricks Point Drive
Trinidad, CA 95570

Camp Trinidad LLC
CA 202463212614
3416 Patricks Point Drive
Trinidad, CA 95570

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12/12, 12/19, 12/26, 1/2 (24-459)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00623

The following person is doing Business as
Healing Hearts Grief Recovery/ www.HealingHeartsRecovery.com

Humboldt
2436 McKinleyville Ave #B
McKinleyville, CA 95519
PO Box 547
Bayside, CA 95524

Danielle L Crowell
2436 McKinleyville Ave #B
McKinleyville, CA 95519

The business is conducted by an Individual. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 12/2/24. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /s Danielle Crowell, Owner This December 2, 2024 by JC, Deputy Clerk

12/5, 12/12, 12/19, 12/26 (24-455)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00628

The following person is doing Business as
Six Rivers Electric

Humboldt
3694 Spear Ave
Arcata, CA 95521
PO box 4215
Arcata, CA 95521

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS ON-CALL GENERAL CONTRACTOR CITY OF RIO DELL 675 WILDWOOD AVENUE RIO DELL, CALIFORNIA 95562

Notice is hereby given for a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for on-call general contractor services. Submittals are to be received by close of business (4:30pm) **January 2, 2025**.

The City of Rio Dell is requesting proposals from qualified California Contractor State License Board (CSLB) B licensed – **General Building Contractors** to perform on-call construction services at City facilities. This Request for Qualifications (RFQ) will select general contractors who will be the pre-qualified pool of on-call general contractors who are eligible to respond to work proposal requests for construction, repair work and design. Prevailing wages are required to be paid for work performed under this agreement as defined in Sections 1771 and 1774 of the Labor Code. This includes subcontractors. The initial term of the agreement will be three-years from January 7, 2025 to December 31, 2027 and extendable for up to an additional two years. Annual appropriations for miscellaneous projects is currently \$50,000.

Examples of work include, but are not limited to:

Removal of windows and replacement of siding.

Installation of pass-thru lockers and integration with existing wall.

Design and build of counter and wall in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements.

Building new interior wall and security door.

Various miscellaneous office interior and exterior repair or remodels, including painting, flooring, tiling and other related general building work.

The RFQ can be viewed and/or obtained from the City of Rio Dell website at www.cityofriodell.ca.gov under the "Bids" section.

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Six Rivers Development LLC
CA 201526410170
1260 Hiller Rd
McKinleyville, CA 95519

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12/12, 12/19, 12/26, 1/2 (24-460)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00629

The following person is doing Business as
McBain Associates

Humboldt
980 7th Street
Arcata, CA 95521
PO Box 663
Arcata, CA 95518

Applied River Sciences
CA 2256909
980 7th Street
Arcata, CA 95521

The business is conducted by a Corporation. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 11/29/2024. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /s Rebecca McBain, CFO This December 3, 2024 by JC, Deputy Clerk

12/12, 12/19, 12/26, 1/2 (24-463)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00630

The following person is doing Business as
Macha Macha

Humboldt
65 Burrell Rd
Honeydew, CA 95545
PO Box 5
Honeydew, CA 95545

Blanca Liliana V Vazquez
65 Burrell Rd
Honeydew, CA 95545
David R. Smith
65 Burrell Rd
Honeydew, CA 95545

The business is conducted by a General Partnership. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on n/a. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /s Blanca Liliana Villaseñor Vasquez This December 3, 2024 by SG, Deputy Clerk

12/12, 12/19, 12/26, 1/2 (24-458)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00631

The following person is doing Business as
Chan's Restaurant

Humboldt
359 G Street
Arcata, CA 95521
1335 Hedgerose Ct
McKinleyville, CA 95519

Andy KL Chan
359 G Street
Arcata, CA 95521

The business is conducted by a General Partnership. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 10/1/24. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /s Andy Chan, Partner This December 3, 2024 by JC, Deputy Clerk

12/12, 12/19, 12/26, 1/2 (24-457)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00637

The following person is doing Business as
Bayside Treasures

Humboldt
899 Bayside Cutoff
Bayside, CA 95524

Leslie A Sheesley
899 Bayside Cutoff
Bayside, CA 95521

The business is conducted by an Individual. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 11/27/2024. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to

Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /s Leslie Sheesley, Owner This December 6, 2024 by JC, Deputy Clerk

12/12, 12/19, 12/26, 1/2 (24-464)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00645

The following person is doing Business as
Haven-Electric, Inc.

Humboldt
405 Chartin Rd
Blue Lake, CA 95525
PO Box 1352
Blue Lake, CA 95525

Haven-Electric, Inc.
CA 4677572
405 Chartin Rd
Blue Lake, CA 95525

The business is conducted by a Corporation. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on 12/9/2024. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /s Mark C. Schaeffer, President This December 9, 2024 by JR, Deputy Clerk

12/19, 12/26, 1/2, 1/9 (24-471)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00647

The following person is doing Business as
Blue Lake Liquor and Gas

Humboldt
295 Blue Lake Blvd.
Blue Lake, CA 95525

295 Enterprise, Inc.
California 6472317
295 Blue Lake Blvd.
Blue Lake, CA 95525

The business is conducted by a Corporation. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on na. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /s Muhammad Musa, CEO by SC, Deputy Clerk

12/19, 12/26, 1/2, 1/9 (24-466)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 24-00650

The following person is doing Business as
**Rentor Realty
Rentor
Real Property Management
Humboldt
Professional Property Management**

Humboldt
3109 H Street
Eureka, CA 95503

**Rentor, Corp.
CA 6169454
3109 H Street
Eureka, CA 95503**

The business is conducted by a Corporation.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on n/a.
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/s Henry Hammacher, Vice President
This December 11, 2024
by SC, Deputy Clerk

12/19, 12/26, 1/2, 1/9 (24-467)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 24-00655

The following person is doing Business as
A NEW BEGINNING DOULA SERVICES

Humboldt
299 Artino Street
Eureka, CA 95503

**Jessica N Clower
298 Artino St
Eureka, CA 95503**

The business is conducted by an Individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on n/a.
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A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Jessica Clower, Individual Business Owner
This December 16, 2024
by JR, Deputy Clerk

12/19, 12/26, 1/2, 1/9 (24-470)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 24-00656

The following person is doing Business as
Axiom Atikos

Humboldt
960 10th St
Fortuna, CA 95540

**Carlos E. Bowden
960 10th St.
Fortuna, CA 95540**

The business is conducted by an Individual.
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/s Carlos E. Bowden, Owner
This December 18, 2024
by SG, Deputy Clerk

12/26, 1/2, 1/9, 1/16 (24-474)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 24-00661

The following person is doing Business as
Shining Sound Healing

Humboldt
735 12th Street
Arcata, CA 95521
1050 Boss Road
McKinleyville, CA 95519

**Samantha K Peters
735 12th Street
Arcata, CA 95521**

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/s Samantha Peters, Sole Proprietor
This December 18, 2024
by SC, Deputy Clerk

12/26, 1/2, 1/9, 1/16 (24-471)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 24-00667

The following person is doing Business as
Lotta

Humboldt
6287 Hwy 36
Carlotta, CA 95528
427 F Street Suite 219
Eureka, CA 95501

**Carlotta Gardens LLC
CA 201731710349
6287 Hwy 36
Carlotta, CA 95528**

The business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.
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/s Irene Levi, Managing Member
This December 18, 2024
by SC, Deputy Clerk

12/26, 1/2, 1/9, 1/16 (24-476)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
Carolyn Owens CASE NO.
PR2400093

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Carolyn Ownes
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Petitioner, Robert Ownes In the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt. The petition for probate requests that Robert Ownes be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
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ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER:
Thomas B. Hjerpe
Hjerpe Law, LLP
350 E Street, 1st Floor
Eureka, Ca 95501

12/26, 1/2, 1/9 (24-475)

Thank you

Thank you for sharing the celebration of Amy (Brazil) Rice's life with us. Your attendance and support made a huge difference during this difficult time. We would like to thank the first responders and Providence Hospital for their emergency care of Amy. Also, we are so grateful for all of our family and friends that planned, cooked and served at the celebration. For all of you who sent beautiful flowers and cards, Masses, food and supported Dane's college education, we truly appreciate your love. Most of all, thank you for all the kind words and memories you shared with us about Amy. She was truly loved by all and will be missed, but she will be forever in our hearts.

Sincerely,

Francis & Sharon Brazil, Dane Allen and family

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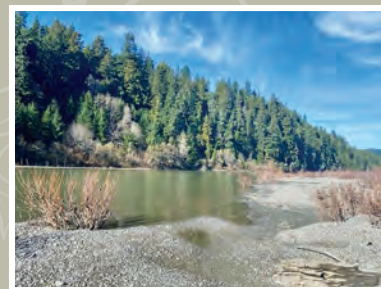
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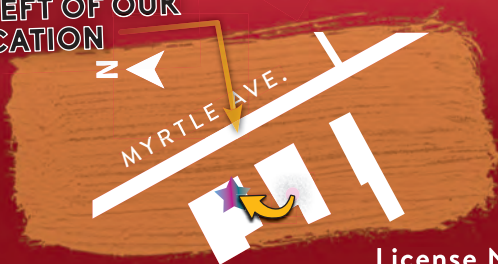


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